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Minutes Tenth Annual Session Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery

HELD IN

Elizabeth City, N. C., April 22-23, 1908

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MINUTES OF THE TENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY. HELD IN ELIZABETH CITY, APRIL 22-23, 1908.

The Union met in the parlors of the First Baptist Church, April 22d, at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Primrose, the President, called the meeting to order, and Mr. Garth, of New Bern, conducted the devotional exercises. He gave a cordial welcome to the delegates, which was replied to by Mrs. W. J. Jones, of Goldsboro.

The minutes of the last meeting, held in Goldsboro, N. C., April 24-25, 1907, were read by the Secretary.

Corresponding Secretary's Report.

During the past year eighty-four letters have been written; two societies have been organized; one at Makelyville and one at Aurora; three societies have been revived at Oxford, Greenville and New Bern.

Number of Societies reported	18
" " Members of Foreign Societies	161
" " " " Home Societies	37
" " " " Both	558
Total membership	756
Amount contributed to Foreign Missions	$601.70
" " " Home Missions	397.07
Total	$998.77
Missionary magazines taken	133
Mission Study Classes	7
Children's magazines taken	3

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—

By balance	$63.53
Collection	16.66
Fees, Goldsboro	2.30
" Tarboro	1.80
" Kinston	1.40
" Washington	4.90
" Henderson	1.40
" Oxford	2.00
" Warrenton	.90
" Wilson	2.30
" Raleigh	9.00
" Greenville	1.00
" New Bern	1.20
Total	$108.39

Disbursements—

Mrs. Harvey, Secretary, expenses	$ 6.70
Mrs. Primrose, President, expenses	4.10
Postage	8.50
Printing blanks	1.75
Printing programs	6.00
By balance	81.34
	$108.39

The roll was called, and the following delegates responded: Mrs. N. W. Garden, Greenville; Mrs. W. J. Jones, Goldsboro; Mrs. Samuel Watkins, Henderson; Miss Mary Dodson, Kinston; Mrs. J. R. Ball, New Bern; Mrs. Leo D. Heartt, Raleigh; Mrs. O. R. Saddler, Rocky Mount; Mrs. P. G. Berry, Washington; Mrs. G. N. Thurwell, Wilson.

The President asked for a report from the Elizabeth City Church. Mrs. Anderson stated that the Aid Society had, during the past year, done good local work, but there was no missionary society in the church. She hoped that one would be organized while the Union was in session. It was decided to discuss this at a later meeting.

A member of the Baptist society was introduced, and she gave the Union a hearty welcome to the city and to the church parlors. Then a representative of the Methodist denomination expressed her interest in the meetings and the work they represented.

The President addressed the meeting and gave an account of the conference of presidents held in Durham during the meeting of the Union of Orange Presbytery. She said that the presidents had agreed to ask all the Unions to set aside two weeks during the year for prayer and self-denial, one for Foreign Missions and one for Home Missions. The societies of the Unions had heretofore shown more interest and made larger contribntions to Foreign than to Home Missions, and while she realized the importance of the Foreign Mission work and would not detract from it one iota, she wanted to have these meetings to emphasize the Home Mission work. Ours was a mission Presbytery, and if we let the work at home suffer, the whole church would feel the effect of it.

It was moved to set aside two weeks every year for prayer and self-denial for missions. After some discussion, the motion was carried, the time to be decided upon by the presidents of the Unions.

It was resolved to pray that more yonng men would enter the ministry, and that special prayer be made for the two candidates who had just been taken under the care of Presbytery.

The second meeting of the Union was held at 3 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon. It was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. W. J. Jones. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The roll-call of delegates was responded to by reports from eighteen societies: Greenville, 1; Goldsboro, 1; Raleigh, 3; New Bern, 1; Henderson, 2; Washington, 4; Rocky Mount, 1; Kinston, 1; Wilson, 1; Warrenton, 1; Tarboro, 1; Oxford, 1. These reports showed, as they did last year, that the For-

eign Mission Societies had more members than the Home, and the amount of money contributed to the Foreign work was almost twice as much as that given to the Home field.

The question for discussion was: How can the indifferent and uninterested by reached? Almost all the delegates had something to say on this subject, and many helpful suggestions were made. It was decided that the best way to reach them was by prayer and personal influence; then if they came to the meetings, give them something to do. Some had found a missionary rally helpful.

Mrs. Heartt gave an account of the Mission Study Class in Raleigh, and said she thought that if there were more study classes, and if our mission literature was more generally read, it would increase the interest in missions.

The third meeting was held on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Samuel Watkins. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

It was moved to make Miss Bettie Penick honorary president of the Union. There were some remarks made on this motion, and many expressions of appreciation of the work done by Miss Penick for the cause of missions and for the good of the Union. The motion was carried unanimously.

A paper prepared by Mrs. Wiswall, of Washington, was read by Mrs. Berry. The subject of the paper was "The Need and Authority of Home Missions." The President stated that the topic of the meeting was Home Missions, and she made a plea to the delegates to do all in their power to awaken more zeal for this most important cause. A full and free exchange of ideas on the Home Mission Work followed, in which all took part. Mrs. Watkins told of the work in Albemarle Presbytery, especially of Miss Daniel's school in Hyde County. Mrs. Saddler told of the beginning of the work in Rocky Mount and the encouraging way in which it

had grown. Mrs. Heartt gave an interesting account of some work done among the factory children. Miss Dodson had taught among the mountains of our State, and she told of the eagerness with which these people learn, and how anxious they are to know about the Bible; how they would walk five and six miles to hear a chapter read and explained.

The meeting closed with sentence prayer for Home Missions, and adjourned to the Presbyterian Church to hear Dr. Painter's address before Presbytery on "The Home Life of the Chinese."

The fourth meeting was held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. O. R. Saddler.

The President had prepared slips of paper containing data, to show what the Southern Church was doing in the Foreign Mission field. These slips were distributed among the delegates, and as the President asked questions, they were answered, and so much valuable information was gained in a pleasant way.

The President announced that the topic of the meeting was Foreign Missions. She spoke of the encouragements of the work, and the great opportunities opening in all the fields for a great and glorious work. She asked that special prayer be made for more workers for the field.

A representative from the Elizabeth City Church assured the Union that a missionary society would be organized, and there would be a report from it at the next meeting.

A representative from the Episcopal society was introduced to the Union, and she expressed her regrets at not being present at the first meeting to welcome the delegates, and to assure them of the interest of her society in the meetings.

The Committee on Hospitality presented the following resolutions:

I. That members of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery desire to express their hearty thanks to the citizens of Elizabeth City for their cordial reception and hospitality.

II. To the members of other denominations for their sympathy and cooperation with them in their deliberations.

III. To the ladies of the Baptist Church for the use of their beautiful and tastefully decorated parlors, do they especially feel grateful.

IV. To the kind, gracious hostesses for the courtesies and attentions which have made the stay in their lovely city so delightful.

V. That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the city papers.

Mrs. W. J. Jones, *Chairman*,
Mrs. Leo D. Heartt,
Miss Mary E. Dodson,
Committee.

The Committee on Nomination presented the following report:

We, the Committee on Nomination, do most heartily endorse the splendid work being done by the president of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery, Mrs. W. S. Primrose, and her valuable assistant, Mrs. B. R. Lacy, of Raleigh, Secretary and Treasurer; and it is with great pleasure that we recommend them for nomination.

At the same time, we nominate Mrs. Samuel Watkins, of Henderson, First Vice-President; Mrs. Howard Wiswall, of Washington, Second Vice-President.

Mrs. J. R. Ball, *Chairman.*
Mrs. N. W. Garden,
Mrs. G. E. Thurwell.

These reports were accepted, and the officers recommended were elected.

The minutes were read and approved.

After sentence prayer, the President announced that the Union stood adjourned, to meet again at the place designated by Presbytery.

Mrs. B. R. Lacy, *Secretary.*

Minutes Eleventh Annual Session Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery

HELD IN

Enfield, N. C., April 21-22, 1909

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MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY, HELD IN ENFIELD, N. C., APRIL 21-22, 1909.

The first meeting was held in the M. E. Church, Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

It was opened by Rev. J. A. McClure, of Henderson. After reading the 72d Psalm, he spoke for a few minutes on "Our Missionary Obligation." His words were so earnest and inspiring that all present had their interest in missions revived and strengthened.

After Mr. McClure left Mrs. Samuel Watkins, the Vice-President, took charge of the meeting. In doing so she expressed the sorrow that all present felt in the great grief that had come to the President, Mrs. Primrose, and asked that in all the prayers she should be remembered. She hoped that all would gain inspiration from the meetings and take courage to go on with the work. She suggested that the Union take as its motto for the coming year Carey's words, "Expect great things of God, do great things for God."

After reading the poem, "The Master is Coming To-day," the meeting was declared open for business.

The minutes of the last meeting, held in Elizabeth City, N. C., April 22-23, 1908, were read by the Secretary.

Corresponding Secretary's Report.

There have been some discouragements in the work during the past year. No new societies have been organized, and the one at Aurora reports that there are not enough members to keep up the organization. When the Union met in Elizabeth City last year the ladies of that church hoped to form a society and send a report in this year, but in answer to a letter written by the Secretary, they say that they have had no pastor, and have lost some of the members who were interested in this work, so no society has been organized.

Last summer when the plea was made to the ladies to pay off the debt on Foreign Missions, four societies responded, Henderson, Raleigh, Warrenton, and Washington, and the sum of $114.25 was forwarded to the Treasurer from the Union.

Number of Societies reported	16
Number of Members of Foreign Societies	231
Number of Members of Home Societies	24
Number of Members of Both	275
Total membership	530
Amount contributed to Foreign Missions	$816.75
Amount contributed to Home Missions	298.95
Total	$1,115.70
Missionary Magazines taken	103
Mission Study Classes	4
Children's Magazines taken	15

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—

By balance	$83.04
By Collection	19.10
Fees, Goldsboro	2.00
Fees, Tarboro	1.70
Fees, Kinston	1.40
Fees, Washington	4.00
Fees, Henderson	1.30
Fees, Oxford	1.50
Fees, Wilson	2.20
Raleigh, Ladies' Society	6.00
Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	4.00
Raleigh, Peace Institute	5.00
New Bern	1.40
Rocky Mount	2.40
To Missionary Debt, Washington	50.00
To Missionary Debt, Raleigh	56.25
To Missionary Debt, Henderson	3.00
To Missionary Debt, Warrenton	5.00
Interest	2.38
	$251.67

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Disbursements—

Mr. Allen, for printing Minutes 1907	$5.00
Traveling expenses of Pres. and Sec.	23.00
To Missionary Debt	114.25
Printing Minutes 1908	6.00
Printing Programs	5.00
Postage	2.16
By balance	96.26
Total	$251.67

The roll was called, and the following delegates responded:

Goldsboro—Mrs. W. C. Munroe.
Kinston—Miss Mary E. Dodson.
Henderson—Mrs. R. S. McCoin.
Oxford—Miss Howell.
Rocky Mount—Mrs. Lyon.
Washington—Miss Sadie Wiswall.
Raleigh—Miss Bessie Bates.
Peace Institute—Miss Rosa A. Wallace.

The Secretary read a letter from Miss E. V. Penick, expressing to the Union her appreciation of the honor of being its honorary President.

After prayer the meeting adjourned.

The second meeting was held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Dr. Wakefield, of Barium Springs, led the devotional exercises. He gave some account of the work at the Orphanage. He said that there were 175 children. A large number of them are clothed by the ladies' societies, and just at this season they are looking forward to the arrival of their boxes. He spoke of the work they were required to do, and how they were trained and fitted to take up their work in the world.

The roll call of delegates was responded to by reports from 16 societies: Goldsboro, 1; Raleigh, 3; New Bern, 1; Hen-

derson, 1; Washington, 4; Rocky Mount, 1; Kinston, 1; Wilson, 1; Warrenton, 1; Tarboro, 1; Oxford, 1.

Mrs. Watkins said that she had urged the young people of her church to join the Union, but they did not feel that they could pay the 10 cent fee.

Mrs. Munroe moved that the Young People's Societies be admitted to the Union, and that they pay a 5 cent fee. This motion was carried, with the hope that all the Societies would come into the Union before the next meeting.

Miss Wallace, of Peace Institute, read a paper on "The Missionary Spirit." It was deeply religious and made a great impression on all who heard it.

The discussion for the afternoon was, "Which is the Best Way to Get a Church Interested in Missions?"

Mrs. Watkins said that she thought that a great deal depended on having a pastor who was interested especially in missions.

Mrs. Munroe thought that the best way was to give every one something to do.

Miss Bates gave an account of the Raleigh Society and of how the rotation of the members in the three departments—Foreign, Home, and Local—had increased the interest of all in every branch of the work.

After sentence prayer the following committees were appointed:

Resolutions of Sympathy to Mrs. Primrose—Mrs. W. C. Munroe, Mrs. R. S. McCoin, Miss Bessie Bates.

To Thank the Pastor and Members of the M. E. Church for the Use of Their Building.—Miss Sue Daniel, Miss Ethel Clement, Miss Mary E. Dodson.

On Hospitality—Miss Wiswall, Miss Howell, Miss Wallace.

The meeting adjourned.

The third meeting was held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The devotional exercises were led by Miss Sue Daniel. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Committee on Hospitality presented the following resolutions:

In the name of the ladies of the Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery, we wish to return many thanks to the good people of Enfield for the cordial welcome extended to us during the meeting.

Especially do we appreciate the kindness of our Methodist friends in allowing us the use of their church, and the help given us in our music by the ladies of all the churches of Enfield.

(Signed) MISS SADIE WISWALL,
MISS ROSA A. WALLACE,
MISS HOWELL.

The Committee on Resolutions of Sympathy to Mrs. Primrose presented the following:

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery, in session at Enfield, N. C., desire to express to you our deep sorrow over your sad loss, and assure you of our deepest sympathy in your affliction.

We invoke in your behalf the assurance of the constant presence of our Heavenly Father, and the comfort of His Spirit that you may be kept by His power, and sustained by His grace.

(Signed) MRS. W. C. MUNROE,
MRS. R. S. MCCOIN,
MISS BESSIE BATES.

The Committee to Thank the Pastor and Members of the M. E. Church presented the following:

We, the Missionary Union, wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation to the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the members of his congregation for the use of their most comfortable building.

MISS SUE DANIEL,
MISS MARY E. DODSON,
MISS ETHEL CLEMENT.

The Secretary stated that at the meeting in Elizabeth City it had been decided to elect a Second Vice-President to act with the President and Vice-President as an Executive Committee.

Mrs. Wiswall, of Washington, was elected, but on account of failing health could not serve.

Mrs. R. S. McCoin, of Henderson, was elected to take her place.

There was some discussion as to the advisability of changing the plan of having the Union meet at the same time that Presbytery met. It was thought best to change it. Miss Wiswall, of Washington, said that Presbytery would meet in Washington next spring, and asked that no change be made until after that meeting, as the Washington Society wished to entertain the Union.

The question was left over to be decided at the next meeting.

Talk by Mrs. Lacy, "What Are We Doing to Give the Gospel to Those Within the Bounds of Albemarle Presbytery?"

Miss Sue Daniel gave a most interesting account of the work she had been doing in Hyde County, and made an earnest plea for some one to carry on the school. She had been obliged to give it up on account of her father's health.

Mrs. Watkins made a plea for the negro. She said that in many places they seemed to be going back to heathenism. She thought we could do more for those that we came in contact with in our own homes, but that the best way to benefit them was by giving them an educated ministry, and we could do that by helping our own institution.

After prayer and singing a hymn, the President announced that the Union stood adjourned.

Mrs. B. R. Lacy,
Corresponding Secretary.

Minutes Twelfth Annual Session Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery

Held in
Washington, N. C., April 13-14, 1910

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OFFICERS FOR 1910-1911.

President.....Mrs. Samuel Watkins, Henderson, N. C.
1st Vice-President.....Mrs. Samuel Fowl, Washington, N. C.
2d Vice-President.....Mrs. R. S. McCoin, Henderson, N. C.
Secretary.....Mrs. B. R. Lacy, Mill Brook, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery held its meetings in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, N. C. The first meeting was held Wednesday, April 13th at 10:30 a. m.

Mr. Belk led the devotional exercises and delivered the opening address. His text was from the fifth chapter of the Acts, "And daily in the temple ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ."

He thought this would be an ideal motto for the Union, and urged all to more zeal, especially in the home field.

Mr. Searight extended to the Union a cordial welcome from Mr. Plyler, the pastor of the Methodist Church, who was absent.

Mrs. Watkins, the first Vice-President, took charge of the meeting. In doing so she expressed her pleasure at being in Washington again, and asked the co-operation of the ladies, hoping that all would be quickened to more zeal in the work and go home to render greater service.

A beautiful address of welcome was given by Mrs. Samuel Fowl, for the Washington Society and was responded to, for the Union, by Mrs. W. C. Munroe.

The Minutes of the last meeting, held in Enfield, N. C., were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported that the Executive Committee had met in Henderson in March to make arrangements for the program and plan the work. Fifty letters had been written.

Number of Societies reported, 18.	
Number of members Foreign Societies	257
Number of members Home Societies	43
Number of members both	264
Total membership	564

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Amount contributed to Foreign Missions	$672.52
Amount contributed to Home Missions	376.25
Total	$1,048.77

Missionary magazines taken	150
Children's magazines taken	3
Home Mission Herald taken	30
Mission Study Classes	8

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—

By balance	$96.26
By collection	30.40
Fees, Goldsboro	2.00
Fees, Greenville	1.40
Henderson	1.60
Henderson, Young Ladies' Society	1.00
Kinston	1.20
New Bern	1.30
Oxford	1.00
Raleigh, Ladies' Society	6.00
Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	5.00
Rocky Mount	2.00
Tarboro	1.80
Wilson	1.80
Washington	4.40
Interest	4.12
	$161.28

Disbursements—

Printing programs	$5.00
Printing minutes	5.00
Postage and stationery	1.75
Expenses President	3.50
Expenses Secretary	5.00
Foreign Missions	15.20
Home Missions	15.20
By balance	110.63
	$161.28

The President asked for a report on the observance of the week of prayer. Only one responded. The delegate from Henderson said that the Society had observed the week by having a daily prayer service and had derived great benefit and pleasure from it. On the last day a collection was taken up amounting to fifteen dollars, which was divided equally between the Foreign and Home Missions.

Enrollment of delegates showed the following present:

Goldsboro—Mrs. W. C. Munroe.
Henderson, Ladies' Society—Mrs. J. R. Rankin.
Henderson, Young Ladies' Mission Band—
Mrs. R. S. McCoin.
Kinston—Miss Mary E. Dodson.
Kinston—Miss Sallie Shaw.
Oxford—Mrs. Geo. Thompson.
Raleigh—Mrs. E. E. Swindell.
Raleigh, Peace Institute—Miss Mary McLoud.
Washington, Foreign—Mrs. Margaret Payne.
Washington, Home—Mrs. Pauline Berry.
Washington, Lend-a-hand—Miss Kate Smith.
Wilson—Mrs. Fallis.
Wilson—Mrs. Edmundson.

Seven new Societies were reported:

The Oxford Junior Missionary Society.
Goldsboro, Home Missionary Society.
Elizabeth City, Missionary Society.
Raleigh, Young Ladies' Auxiliary.
Henderson, Young Ladies' Mission Band.
Henderson, Brookston Missionary Society.
Greenville Missionary Society.

Wednesday Afternoon.

After devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Pauline Berry, the President called for the business.

A motion was made to have the Union meet at a different

time from Presbytery. After some discussion it was carried and it was decided to meet the second week in May. If this time was not found convenient, to be subject to change by a vote of the Union. The reports from the Societies were read. Some of the delegates brought written reports and some read the filled-in blanks. As the written reports gave a better idea of the work accomplished, the Secretary was requested to ask the delegates next year to bring a written report of the work done by the women in the church, the blanks to be filled and returned to the Secretary to enable her to make a report.

Mrs. Watkins read a letter from Korea, asking that special prayer be made that one million souls be brought to Christ during the year. Special prayer was made for this object by Rev. M. McCullen.

Mrs. Rankin read a paper on, "How to Have a Successful Missionary Society."

After sentence prayer for our missionaries, the meeting adjourned.

Thursday Morning.

Topic: Home Missions.

The President opened the meeting with devotional exercises.

The Treasurer reported that the collection taken at the services held by Presbytery the night before had been given to the Union. It amounted to thirty dollars and forty cents ($30.40). It was decided to divide this amount equally between the Foreign and Home Mission work, and the Treasurer was ordered to give it to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

An invitation from Presbytery was given to the Union to hear the sermon delivered before Presbytery by Rev. Geo. Thompson on "Family Religion."

Adjourned to meet at 3.30 p. m.

Thursday Afternoon.

The meeting opened with devotional exercises led by Mrs. Watkins.

Reports from committees called for.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows: We offer the names of the following officers:

President—Mrs. Samuel Watkins.
First Vice-President—Mrs. Samuel Fowl.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. R. S. McCoin.
Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. B. R. Lacy.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. E. Swindell.
Mrs. Chas. Brown.
Miss M. E. Dodson.

This report was unanimously adopted.

The committee on Hospitality presented the following report, which was adopted with enthusiasm:

We, the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery, wish to express our deepest and sincerest thanks to the ladies of Washington for the truest hospitality that can be bestowed upon a people.

Also, we wish to express to Rev. M. T. Plyler and the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church our heartfelt thanks for the use of their most comfortable church. Those of us who were here ten years ago remember this same hospitality was enjoyed by this Missionary Union.

(Signed) Mrs. E. E. Swindell.
Mrs. J. R. Rankin.
Miss Mary E. Dodson.

The committee to thank the pastor and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church submitted the following report, which was unanimously received:

The members of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery wish to express to the pastor and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington, N. C., their sincere appreciation of the many courtesies shown them, and to extend to them their thanks for the use of their comfortable building.

(Signed) MRS. R. T. MCCOIN.
MRS. G. B. THOMPSON.

The committee on the Constitution submitted a Constitution and By-laws, which, with a few alterations, were accepted.

Committee on Constitution—Mrs. Samuel Fowl, Mrs. Margaret Payne, Mrs. W. C. Munroe.

Committee to Distribute Literature—Miss Telfair, Miss Hattie Harris.

A motion was made and carried, that the Secretary write to each society and urge them to send one or more delegates to the next meeting.

Miss Sue Daniel has resumed her work in Hyde County, and was present at the meeting. She made a request that the ladies send her some books for children. She is trying to get a library for the school, and she said that no doubt many of the ladies had books at home that they would send. Any kind suitable for children or any reading books would be acceptable. If a few were sent they could be directed to her at Swan Quarter. If a large package, send by express, care Miss Sadie Wiswall, Washington, N. C.

A motion was made and carried that each delegate be a committee of one to put this before her society.

A paper was read by Mrs. R. S. McCoin on "Our Nation's Responsibility as a Missionary Base of Supplies."

Discussion—"Why Should Our Women be Interested in Home Missions?"

Many of the ladies took part in the discussion, and helpful suggestions were made to increase the interest in the Home work. The ladies were urged to read the church literature, and to put God and His work first.

An invitation was given from Presbytery to hear a special sermon on Foreign Missions by Rev. M. Deal.

After singing a hymn, and prayer, the Union stood adjourned to meet in Henderson the second week in May, 1911.

TABULATED REPORT WOMEN'S SOCIETIES ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY, YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1910.

	Number Members.	Average Attendance.	Foreign.	Home.	
Greenville	14	10	$ 8.00	$10.00	Pres., Mrs. E. G. Couch. Sec., Miss Lillie Bennett.
Goldsboro	20	10	52.50	-------	Pres., Mrs. W. W. Faison. Sec., Mrs. Nathan O'Berry
Geneva	16	----	3.00	18.00	Pres., Mrs. C. B. Meadows.
Henderson, Ladies' Society	29	15	58.00	-------	Pres., Mrs. I. B. Gary. Sec., Mrs. Thompson.
Henderson, Young Ladies' Society.	10	----	-------	-------	Pres., Miss Rebecca Watkins. Sec., Miss Amelia Gary.
Kinston	12	11	6.55	13.10	Pres., Mrs. T. C. Wooten. Sec., Mrs. J. H. Parham.
Littleton	10	4	-------	36.45	Pres., Mrs. J. H. Harrison.
New Bern	13	10	42.60	-------	Pres., Mrs. C. S. Hollister. Sec., Mrs. W. P. M. Bryan.
Oxford	29	12	34.70	56.00	Pres., Mrs. T. B. Williams. Sec., Mrs. T. H. Brown.
Raleigh, Ladies' Society	106	50	163.32	125.44	Pres., Mrs. M. P. Baumann. Sec., Miss Sadie Duncan.
Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	75	40	56.55	-------	Pres., Miss Jean Thackston. Sec., Miss Katherine Sherwood.
Raleigh, Peace Institute	100	90	100.00	35.00	Pres., Miss Minnie Bond. Sec., Miss Ellen Wilson.
Rocky Mount	20	7	19.50	19.50	Pres., Mrs. J. A. Hines. Sec. Mrs. W. L. Groom.
Tarboro	18	10	50.00	-------	Pres., Mrs. W. L. Wooten. Sec., Mrs. C. L. Robertson.
Warrenton	7	3	2.80	2.80	Pres., Mrs. Robert Booth. Sec., Mrs. Carr. Moore.
Washington, Foreign	44	18	50.00	17.38	Pres., Mrs. Howard Wiswall. Sec., Miss Annie Jarvis.
Washington, Home	23	13	-------	37.62	Pres., Mrs. Howard Wiswall Sec., Mrs. Pauline Berry.
Wilson	18	12	25.00	5.00	Pres., Mrs. W. S. Fallis. Sec., Miss May Lovelace.
Total	564		672.52	376.25	

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

OF

ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY

HELD IN

HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA

MAY 16, 17, 18, 1911

OFFICERS FOR 1911-1912

President	Mrs. Samuel Watkins	Henderson
First Vice-President	Mrs. Samuel Fowle	Washington
Second Vice-President	Mrs. R. S. McCoin	Henderson
Secretary and Treasurer	Mrs. B. R. Lacy	Mill Brook

PROCEEDINGS

THE Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery was held in the Presbyterian Church of Henderson, May 16, 17, 18, 1911.

On Tuesday evening there was a service held by the pastor, Rev. James A. McClure, in which he gave a greeting to the Union and spoke on "Our Obligation to Missions."

On Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock the first business meeting was held, the president, Mrs. Samuel Watkins, presiding. After devotional exercises, the minutes of the last meeting, held in Washington, April, 1910, were read and approved.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

There have been two meetings of the Executive Committee—one in July, when the Secretary was ordered to buy eighteen kalendars and send them to the Societies as a help in conducting meetings. The second was held in March, to make arrangements for the Annual Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

By balance	$ 105.63
Fees, Wilson	2.00
Fees, Goldsboro	3.10
Fees, Henderson	1.70
Fees, Henderson, Young Ladies' Band	1.50
Fees, Tarboro	2.00
Fees, New Bern	1.90
Fees, Oxford	2.00
Fees, Raleigh, Ladies' Society	6.00
Fees, Raleigh, Young Ladies' Society	2.60
Fees, Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	5.00
Fees, Rocky Mount	2.20
Fees, Peace Institute	5.00
Fees, Kinston	1.20
Fees, Washington	2.25
Fees, Washington, Miriams	1.00
Interest	3.47
	$ 148.55

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DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses President	$ 5.90
Expenses Secretary	5.70
Postage	3.64
Printing	23.25
Kalendars	1.80
Expenses speaker	12.00
Chinese famine sufferers	75.00
By balance	21.26
	$ 148.55

The President stated that there was about $150 in the treasury, and suggested that $75 be sent to the Chinese famine sufferers. This was approved by the delegates, and the Treasurer ordered to send the amount.

The address of welcome was given by Mrs. I. B. Gary and responded to by Mrs. W. C. Munroe.

The following delegates were enrolled:

GOLDSBORO—Mrs. W. C. Munroe, Mrs. V. G. Smith, Mrs. Ida Peterson, Mrs. Griffin, and Mrs. E. B. Borden, Jr.

HENDERSON—Mrs. W. T. Watkins, Mrs. I. B. Gary, and Miss Rebecca Watkins.

KINSTON—Miss Mary E. Dodson.

LITTLETON—Miss Tempe Thorne.

OXFORD—Mrs. S. B. Williams.

RALEIGH—Mrs. W. McC. White, Mrs. T. P. Harrison, Miss Sadie Duncan, and Miss May Montague.

PEACE INSTITUTE—Miss Helen Wallace and Miss Sadie Wilson.

TARBORO—Mrs. J. M. Baker.

WILSON—Mrs. Blauvelt.

WASHINGTON—Mrs. Samuel Fowle and Miss M. E. Thomas.

BROOKSTON—Mrs. O. B. Eleanor.

The second meeting was held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. I. B. Gary.

Mrs. T. P. Harrison gave a talk on "Our Mountain Work," especially of the work done at the Plumbtrue School and Lees McRae Institute.

Reports from the Societies were read.

The President appointed the following committees:

On Nomination—Mrs. W. McC. White, Mrs. S. B. Williams, Mrs. Ida Peterson, and Mrs. V. G. Smith.

On Hospitality—Mrs. J. M. Baker, Mrs. W. C. Munroe, and Miss Sadie Duncan.

Discussion, led by Mrs. Thompson: "How to Have a Successful Missionary Society."

Talk by Mrs. W. R. Royal, giving an account of work done by the Methodist Society.

Paper by Mrs. I. W. Morgan on "Motives for Christian Endeavor."

Wednesday evening there was a song service and an address by Mr. Summerville on "The Assembly's Home and School at Fredericksburg."

Thursday morning the meeting was opened with devotional exercises led by the President.

Talk on "How to Use and Distribute Missionary Literature," by Mrs. J. A. McClure.

Reading by Mrs. Fowle on "General Assembly's Aggressive Home Mission Work."

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Lewis and the choir for the beautiful music furnished by them for all the meetings.

Mrs. Griffin was asked to represent the Union at Montreat and bring a report to the next meeting.

Reports from committees called for.

The Nominating Committee recommended that the old officers be reëlected, and that a vote of thanks be given for their faithful service. This report was adopted by a rising vote.

The following report of the Committee on Hospitality was accepted unanimously:

"The members of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery wish to express to the good women of the good town of Henderson, in the good county of Vance, their sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for the many courtesies shown them since they have been in the city, and to extend to them their congratulations on this the first meeting of the Union since separating from Presbytery."

It was moved and carried that the Secretary request the Societies to send a narrative report of all the work done by the women in the Societies.

The Union adjourned to meet in Raleigh, May, 1912.

TABULATED REPORT WOMEN'S SOCIETIES, ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY, YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1911.

	Number Members.	Foreign.	Home.	
Goldsboro, Foreign	21	$61.40	$	*President*, Mrs. W. W. Faison. *Secretary*, Mrs. N. O'Berry.
Goldsboro, Home	16		10.00	*President*, Mrs. Thomas O'Berry. *Secretary*, Miss Sophia Hart.
Greenville	12	13.05		*President*, Mrs. E. G. Couch. *Secretary*, Mrs. R. H. Wright.
Henderson, Ladies' Society	24	69.75	55.00	*President*, Mrs. I. B. Gary. *Secretary*, Mrs. R. S. McCoin.
Henderson, Brookston Society.	7	3.22	3.23	*President*, Mrs. Samuel Watkins. *Secretary*, Mrs. O. B. Eleanor.
Henderson, Young Ladies' Band.	15		18.50	*President*, Miss Rebecca Watkins. *Secretary*, Miss Cornelia Gary.
Kinston	12	8.00	8.00	*President*, Miss M. E. Dodson. *Secretary*, Mrs. Hugh Parham.
Littleton	13		41.03	*President*, Mrs. John Harrison. *Secretary*, Mrs. Miles.
New Bern	19	50.00	13.35	*President*, Mrs. W. P. M. Bryan. *Secretary*, Mrs. Henry R. Bryan, Jr.
Oxford	26	23.55	47.65	*President*, Mrs. W. I. Howell. *Secretary*, Mrs. P. H. Montgomery.
Oxford, Geneva	18		33.00	*President*, Mrs. C. B. Meadows. *Secretary*, Mrs. M. P. Baumann.
Raleigh, Ladies' Society	85	140.00	213.92	*President*, Miss Sadie Duncan. *Secretary*, ——————.
Raleigh, Young Ladies' Society.	26		77.00	*President*, Miss Dixie Leach. *Secretary*, Mrs. T. B. Womack.
Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	80	70.00		*President*, Miss E. V. Penick. *Secretary*, Miss Elizabeth Walker.
Raleigh, Peace Institute	100	100.00	17.00	*President*, Miss Mary McLeod. *Secretary*, Miss Sadie Wilson.
Rocky Mount	22	20.00	20.00	*President*, Mrs. A. P. Thorp. *Secretary*, Mrs. K. C. Barrett.
Tarboro	20	100.00	50.00	*President*, Mrs. N. B. Peters. *Secretary*, Mrs. John U. Pender.
Washington, Foreign	42	80.00		*President*, Mrs. Howard Wiswall. *Secretary*, Mrs. Ed. Stewart.
Washington, Home	42		18.00	*President*, Mrs. Howard Wiswall. *Secretary*, Mrs. Pauline G. Berry.
Washington, Miriams	24	35.00	65.00	*President*, Mrs. H. B. Searight. *Secretary*, Miss Fanny Stewart.
Wilson	20	22.50	22.50	*President*, Mrs. J. R. Edmundson. *Secretary*, Miss Beulah Keel.
Totals	622	$796.47	$773.18	

MINUTES

OF THE

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

OF

ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY

HELD IN

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

APRIL 30, MAY 1-2, 1912

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Honorary President, Miss E. V. Penick.....Raleigh, N. C.
President, Mrs. Samuel Watkins.....Henderson, N. C.
First Vice-President, Mrs. S. H. Brown.....Oxford, N. C.
Second Vice-President, Mrs. Norwood Simmons....Washington, N. C.
Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. B. R. Lacy.....Mill Brook, N. C.
Secretary of Literature, Mrs. S. N. Harrell.....Tarboro, N. C.
Historian, Mrs. I. B. Gary.....Henderson N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Samuel Watkins
Mrs. S. M. Brown
Mrs. Norwood Simmons
Mrs. B. R. Lacy

PROCEEDINGS

The Union met in the First Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, N. C., May 31st, at 8:30 P. M.

Rev. W. McC. White delivered the address on Home Missions.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Union met in the Sunday-school room at 10:15 A. M., and devotional exercises were led by the president.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Executive Committee met in Henderson, December 5, 1911, and decided on time of meeting, and made arrangements for the programme. One new society has been organized during the year. Reports have been received from twenty-one societies. They show an increase in the contributions to all causes, and a most gratifying increase in the number of The Missionary Survey taken.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS.

By balance	$32.39
By interest	1.24
Fees, Elizabeth City	1.40
Fees, Goldsboro, Foreign	2.30
Fees, Goldsboro, Home	1.80
Fees, Greenville	1.10
Fees, Henderson, Foreign	1.70
Fees, Henderson, Young Ladies' Band	1.50
Fees, Kinston	1.20
Fees, Littleton	....
Fees, New Bern	2.20
Fees, Oxford	2.00
Fees, Geneva	1.00
Raleigh—Ladies' Society	5.00
Raleigh—Busy Bee Band	5.00
Raleigh—Peace Institute	5.00
Rocky Mount	3.50
Tarboro	2.30
Washington, Foreign	3.10
Washington, Home	....
Wilson	2.10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses Secretary	1.85
Postage	4.07
By balance	53.91
Printing	6.00
Expenses speaker	10.00

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The address of welcome was made by Miss E. V. Penick, and responded to by Miss Mary E. Dodson.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Goldsboro—Mrs. R. E. Lee, Mrs. John Slaughter, Mrs. V. G. Smith.

Oxford—Mrs. S. H. Brown.

Geneva—Mrs. E. B. Meadows.

Raleigh—Mrs. W. R. Crawford, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. G. H. Rollins.

Raleigh (Busy Bee Band)—Miss Jean Thackston, Miss Mary White.

Raleigh (Peace Institute)—Miss Maud Rankin, Miss Lula Finlay.

Tarboro—Mrs. George Howard.

Washington—Mrs. Norwood Simmons.

Wilson—Mrs. J. R. Edmundson, Mrs. H. G. Connor, Jr.

Mrs. Griffin, the delegate to the Montreat Conference, could not be present, and her report was read by Mrs. R. E. Lee.

The president asked how many had observed the week of prayer and self-denial, and eight responded.

After a hymn and prayer, the meeting adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The Union met at 2:30 p. m., and devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. S. Fleming, assisted by Mr. Hemphill.

The minutes of the morning meeting were read and approved.

The president appointed the following committees:

On Nomination—Mrs. Leo D. Heartt, Mrs. George Howard, Mrs. John Slaughter, Mrs. E. B. Meadows.

On Hospitality—Mrs. I. B. Gary, Mrs. S. H. Brown, Miss Mary E. Dodson.

The reports of the societies were made.

An invitation was given from the Tarboro society to meet there next year, and was unanimously accepted.

Talk, "The Basis and Essential Part of Missions," by Mrs. W. S. Thompson.

Mrs. I. B. Gary led a discussion on "How to Deepen the Spiritual Life of Our Missionary Societies."

A history of the Union had been written by Mrs. Samuel Fowle, which was read by Mrs. Norwood Simmons.

It was decided to have a historian for the Union, and Mrs. I. B. Gary was appointed.

Mrs. J. S. Fleming talked on "The Missionary Work Among the Mormons."

After a prayer, the Union adjourned till 8:30 P. M.

Wednesday Evening.

Address—"Foreign Missions." Rev. W. McC. White.

Thursday Morning.

The Union met at 10:30 A. M. and was opened with devotional exercises, led by the president.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Nominating Committee made their report, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Samuel Watkins; First Vice-President, Mrs. S. M. Brown; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Norwood Simmons; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. B. R. Lacy; Secretary of Literature, Mrs. S. N. Harrell; Historian, Mrs. I. B. Gary.

There was a discussion on having a Synodical Union. As the subject was not thoroughly understood, it was decided not to take any action until the next meeting.

Address on "Woman's Work in China," by Mrs. George C. Worth.

After prayer, the meeting adjourned till 2:30.

Thursday Afternoon.

The Union met at 2:30 and was opened with devotional exercises.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Entertainment Committee gave the following report:

"The Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery has again been the recipient of the unbounded hospitality and kind consideration of the ladies of Raleigh church, not only in their homes, but in their church, where we listened with pleasure to the music of the gifted organist and her choir, and enjoyed the bountiful luncheons provided for our refreshment, and later the delightful automobile ride to all points of interest in their beautiful city; in appreciation of which we wish to extend to them, one and all, our hearty thanks in a rising vote."

This report was unanimously accepted.

Talk by Mrs. L. P. Duncan, on "What Are We Doing for the Mexicans in Texas?"

Paper on "Heathen Invasion." by Mrs. W. S. Primrose. It was voted to have this paper preserved by the historian.

After a hymn and prayer, the Union adjourned to meet in Tarboro, May, 1913.

Churches.	No. of Members.	No. of Missionary Surveys.	Amount Contributed to Foreign Missions.	Amount Contributed to Home Missions.	President.	Secretary.
Elizabeth City, Cann Memorial.	14	9	$36.52	$24.40	Mrs. James B. Black.	Mrs. A. B. Houtz.
Goldsboro, Foreign	23	20	69.00	.....	Mrs. I. G. Peterson.	Mrs. W. C. Munroe.
Goldsboro, Home	28	7	.....	163.17	Mrs. Thomas O'Berry.	Miss Sophia Hart.
Greenville	11	8	18.00	.....	Miss Kate Lewis.	Mrs. R. H. Wright.
Henderson, Foreign	24	33	60.10	.....	Mrs. I. B. Gary.	Mrs. R. S. McCoin.
Henderson, Home	5	....	.....	10.04	.....	Mrs. Redding Perry.
Henderson, Young Ladies	15	....	.....	24.46	Mrs. C. V. Singleton.	Miss Isabelle Perry.
Kinston, Atkinson Memorial	12	9	15.00	15.00	Miss Mary E. Dodson.	Mrs. Hugh Parham.
Littleton	10	....	.....	11.10	Mrs. John Harrison.	Mrs. T. J. Miles.
New Bern	22	8	50.00	25.00	Mrs. W. P. M. Bryan.	Mrs. H. R. Bryan, Jr.
Oxford	26	8	32.00	60.85	Mrs. W. I. Howell.	Mrs. P. H. Montgomery.
Geneva, Oxford	10	....	8.50	5.50	Mrs. C. B. Meadows.	.....
Raleigh, Ladies' Society	54	81	295.85	191.35	Mrs. Leo D. Heartt.	Miss Ada V. Womble.
Raleigh, Busy Bee Band	80	....	75.00	.....	Miss E. V. Penick.	Miss Jean Thackston.
Raleigh, Young Woman's Aux.	30	6	.....	74.00	Miss Dixie W. Leach.	Mrs. T. B. Womack.
Raleigh, Peace Institute	100	2	128.00	.....	Miss Lula Finlay.	Miss Maud Rankin.
Tarboro, Howard Memorial	23	9	100.00	.....	Mrs. Julian Baker.	Mrs. T. F. Marron.
Rocky Mount	35	10	6.00	28.50	Mrs. L. F. Tillery.	Mrs. K. C. Barrett.
Washington, Foreign	39	25	87.00	.....	Mrs. Howard Wiswall.	Mrs. E. T. Stewart.
Washington, Home	24	....	.....	58.00	Mrs. Howard Wiswall.	Mrs. Pauline G. Berry.
Wilson	21	11	6.00	28.50	Mrs. Ida Daniel.	Mrs. L. J. Herring.
Total	506	246	$986.97	$719.87		

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